

Doug Burgum Governor

PROCLAMATION CAREERS IN ENERGY WEEK OCTOBER 16-20, 2017

WHEREAS, energy serves as the bedrock of our way of life, available at the flip of a switch or the turn of a dial to assist with the work of North Dakotans; and

WHEREAS, energy weaves in and out of every life – invisible to most but essential to all; and

WHEREAS, energy generates commerce and fuels economic growth, while supplying the citizens of North Dakota with the simple things in life: heating, cooling, cooking and lighting; and

WHEREAS, energy supports modern society's complex systems such as patient care, air traffic control, running a business and even a state. Energy also makes possible recreation: lights at the baseball field, air conditioning at the theater and rides at the state fair; and

WHEREAS, energy provides careers to tens of thousands of residents who serve in every community, ranging from lineworker to engineer, construction specialist to accountant, chemist to environmentalist, maintenance laborer to executive – all valued and all essential; and

WHEREAS, to promote continuity and meet the challenges of the growing economy, new workers are needed to bridge into the future by replacing retiring workers and maintaining a skilled workforce; and

WHEREAS, through strategic partnerships, the Dakotas Energy Workforce Consortium strives to promote a unified and results-oriented effort to ensure people find new and rewarding careers in energy so that North Dakota can continue to grow in prosperity; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are urged to become familiar with the services and benefits offered by the career and technical education programs in their community and to support and participate in these programs to enhance their individual work skills and productivity.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 16-20, 2017, **CAREERS IN ENERGY WEEK** in the State of North Dakota.

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ATTEST:

Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State